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- The sirfield was located about three miles west of the VASA-LEMBA (24°16' E/59°14' N) Railroad Station, about 2½ miles from the Baltic seashore. A radio station with a high antenna mast, noticeable from a great distance, was located between the railroad station and the airfield. (For details see Annex).
- 2. The 10,000x6,600-foot field was bordered by boggy terrain, terrain on the south. There was an almost circular taxiway with a large V in the middle. The southern half of the circular taxiway in a width of 40 feet, and the southern side of the V, 4,600 feet long and 200 feet wide, were reinforced and served as taxying, and take-off strips. The northern half of the taxiway had a firm grass cover. Hangars were not observed. The aircraft were parked on special sites south of the runway and the road. A large fuel dump of 15 large tames, built into the slope inclining to the north, was located south of the camp road.
- The field and its intallations were provided with electric current by a large generator installed in the western building of the former estate. Barracks buildings were located along the road from the railroad station to the field. The road was blocked by a turnpike east of the barracks buildings. The two wings of the W-shaped buildings were EM quarters of the flying school. The class rooms were in the middle section.
  - The officers billets were located south of the barracks building on the northern slope of the wooded hill. two-family wooden houses were built there by the PMs. A 400x200-foot quarry was located south of the officers billets.

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- 4. 300 pilot students, mostly officers, were quartered in the airfield barracks buildings.
- 5. The following aircraft were stationed at the field:
  - a. About nine single-engine fighters
  - b. Six twin-engine bombers with nosc wheel
  - c. Three single-engine amphibian planes with retractable landing gear and two floats under the rather straight and angular wings
  - d. About 30 sircraft of various types.
- 6. There was intensive flying both day and night. At night the runways were illuminated by large searchlights. Individual parachute jumps were also observed both day and night.

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Report essentially confirmed previous information on the location and condition of the VASALEMA field. The previous assumption that a flying school of the Soviet naval air arm is located at this field was confirmed by the report. The three amphibian planes were reported as twinengine aircraft in a previous report. It is stated in the present report that they were single-engine aircraft. Their

1 Annex: Airfield of VASAIMMIA, Estonian SSR, Leningrad MD.

